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In re Application of:	)
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37 C.F.R. § 1. 53 (b) continuation of parent application Serial No.: 08/943,123 Filed: October 3, 1997 For: LUBRICANT COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS	Examiner: (parent application) M. Medley ) ) ) )
Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria Virginia 22313-1450	

Sir:

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.115

Applicant request the examiner, prior to examining this application on the merits, to consider the amendments to this application, which is a 37 C.F.R. § 1. 53 (b) continuation of parent application Serial No.: 08/943,123 Filed: October 3, 1997.

Amendments to the written description begin on page 2 of this preliminary amendment.

Amendments to the claims, set out in the listing of claims, begin on page 3 of this preliminary amendment.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this preliminary amendment.

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Amendment dated December 11, 2003

## **Amendments to the Written Description:**

Please replace the first sentence in the paragraph beginning at the bottom of page 21 of the written description with the following amended sentence;

Applicant intends that controlling the delivery of the lubricant to a surface includes phenomena where the lubricant is incrementally withdrawn incrementally, released incrementally, delivered or incrementally applied incrementally withdrawn, incrementally released, incrementally delivered, or incrementally applied from the lubricant composition of matter or the product produced by the process of the invention.